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From

The Comptroller to the Govt of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Adverts to G.O. No. 3744-5 H. & Mis 92/12/05 sanctioning a special grant of Rs 1,00,000 for arrangements for the reception of their Royal Highnesses; Observes that these arrangements include purchase of things of permanent value capable of being used for other State purposes and on that account he has a difficulty in charging the whole expenditure for Receiving Important Personages and therefore Suggests a course adopted by the Government of India in connection with the Delhi Durbar which has the merit of enabling the Audit Office to charge the expenses to appropriate heads as may be ultimately determined

NOTES AND ORDERS.

The Comptroller's suggestion that a procedure similar to that taken in connection with the Delhi Durbar by the Govt of India may be adopted in this case the proce

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Sent to the Under Secy
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From

Rai N. G. Basu Bahadur, M.A.,
Comptroller of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

To

B.K.Venkatavarada Iyengar, Esq.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General and Revenue Departments.

11 Instt. 14-12-05

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Government orders No.Fl:3744-5/Gl:Fl:91-05-11 dated the 12th December 1905 sanctioning a supplemental grant of one lakh of rupees towards the cost of arrangements for the reception of H.H.the Prince and Princess of Wales.

2. These arrangements include very heavy expenditure on purchase of furniture, tents, Motor Cars, Carpets, ponies, harness sets, tongas, Electric Fans, Table Lamps, Floor lamps, Iron saf and other items of stocks and stores which are not, like ordinar decorations, destroyed or consumed by some days' use only but wil remain in stock for a long time for use for other State purpose

3. In these circumstances, I find some difficulty in charging the whole expenditure to the special head for entertainment of distinguished guests. The best course in such cases is to hire the furniture and other conveniences required, but this is perhaps not possible in the case of Mysore which is situated at such a long distance from Calcutta or Bombay.

This is not possible

4. I therefore beg to suggest that a procedure similar to that followed in connection with the Delhi Durbar by the Government of India may be adopted in this case. The procedure was this The account office was furnished originally with a list of all such

such purchases with the actual cost of purchase; then when the Ceremonies were all over the articles were sold by public auction or otherwise disposed of and the account office was furnished with an account of the sales or disposal of the articles

On receipt of the accounts it was incumbent on the account office to see that all the stocks and stores originally purchas were included in the Sale or disposal account. Where the sale was by public auction the difference from the original price wa examined and credit for cash realisations traced in the Treasur accounts. Where some department of the State retained any of the articles for its own use, the proper price was charged to that Department by credit to the Durbar account.

I therefore venture to suggest that a procedure like the above should be followed in this case, and the officers concern be instructed to keep complete accounts of stores, furniture an Machinery purchased for the occasion.

There is no likelihood of the State getting fair prices at the auction sales in Mysore or Bangalore, and I am of opinion that it will be better to make an effort to hire the articles as far as possible in Calcutta or Bombay and to guarantee their safe return. This may in the long run be cheaper than selling the articles here or sending them at Government expense to Calcutta or Bombay to be sold there.

In the case of some of the supplies it will be a distinct advantage to have them by loan or hire from other Governments or Parties.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Comptroller.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

Govt. Proceedings No. Fl. 2358- 91/Gen. Fin.91-05-5 dated the 3rd October 1905, sanctioning a special grant of Rs. 1,75,000 for expenses connected with the visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.

2. Memo No. 124 dated the 27th November 1905 from the Military Assistant to the Government of Mysore, applying for a supplemental grant of Rs.76,300 for expenses to be incurred by him in connection with the Royal visit.

Order thereon:- No. H 3744-5 / Gl.Fin. 91-05-11

Dated the 18th December 1905.

In the Govt. Proceedings read above a sum of ~~Rs.1,75,000~~ Rs.1,16,000 was sanctioned towards the ~~estimated~~ cost of arrangements in the hands of the Military Assistant, its details being as follow:--

I.	Improvements to Government House and Park, including the cost of ornamental rails.	Rs. 20,000
II.	Purchase of furniture...	" 27,000
III.	Purchase of tents....	" 17,000
IV.	Entertainments.....	" 30,000
V.	Carriage of tents, furniture, etc.....	" 4,000
VI.	Extra cost of feeding horses & ponies.....	" 2,000
VII.	Motor Cars.....	" 16,000

2. The Military Assistant represents in the memo read above that the allotments are insufficient and applies for Rs.76,300/- comprising the following special and supplemental grants:---

		Rs.
(1).	Improvements to Government House.....	3,700
(2)	Purchase of tents.....	600
(3)	---do--- tent carpets.....	1,000
(4)	Railway charges on the above.....	3,500

(5)	Purchase of 100 ponies.....	15,400
(6)	----do---- harness sets..... ...	7,400
(7)	----do---- 15 tongas	9,000
(8)	Repairs to bullock coaches	600
(9)	Hire of motor cars	8,000
(10)	Electric Fans....	000
(11)	Petromax lights for camp....	4,000
(12)	Table lamps for Their Royal Highnesses.....	400
(13)	Floor lamps,&c,from Messrs.Oolor & Co., ...	3,000
(14)	Bed linen and perfumery toilet articles for Their Royal Highnesses....	8,000
(15)	Table linen.....	1,000
(16)	Iron safes....	1,600
(17)	Carriages for Press Correspondents.....	700
(18)	Charges for servants.....	400
(19)	Cost of additional tents required.....	13,700
	Total.....	76,300

3. The Military Assistant has fully explained in his note the necessity for this additional expenditure and has subsequently shown the necessity for purchasing 18 additional tents and 80 Rowtees for providing accommodation to the Press Correspondents, and conductors as well as the syces of the Riding Establishment of Their Royal Highnesses. A sum of Rs.13,700 will be made available for this purpose.

4. The Government of His Highness the Maharaja are accordingly pleased to sanction a supplemental special grant of one lakh of rupees to meet the above expenditure as well as all unforeseen charges that may be incurred in connection with the Royal visit.

5. The Military Assistant suggests that out of the grant applied for by him the sum of Rs.15,400 (item 5) may be regarded as an advance made against the next year's budget under the head "Purchase of Transport ponies" as the charge is properly admissible to the Military budget. A more satisfactory course would be to omit this provision from the next year's budget.

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6. The Comptroller is accordingly requested to place Rs.90,000 (Ninety thousand) at the disposal of the Military Assistant to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

(sd) B.K.Venkatesvaradiengar.
Secretary.

To

The Comptroller.

The Military Assistant.